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## REPLY Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.113 and 1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office action of June 2, 2009, made final, in the above-identified patent application, Applicant requests entry of the following amendment, which cancels certain subject matter from the claims, complies with requirements of form expressly set forth in the June 2, 2009 Office action, and adds new claims depending from a base claim that is believed to be allowable and that is not substantively amended.

(This reply is being filed on October 2, 2009, along with a petition for a one-month extension of time, and is therefore timely filed.)

## AMENDMENT Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.